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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**  
(Case No. 98-627)

In re the Application of:

Ronald Lee

Serial No. 09/259,757

Filed: February 27, 1999

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CONFIGURATION PROTOCOL  
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CONNECTED TO A DATA NETWORK

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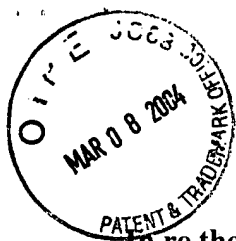
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 4, 2003**

Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed December 4, 2003, Applicant respectfully submits the following remarks.



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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

In regard to the above identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- a. Transmittal Letter (2x)
- b. Response to Office Action mailed December 4, 2003
- c. Return Receipt Postcard.

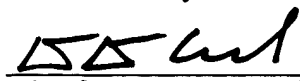
2. With respect to additional fees:

No fees required.

3. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 210765. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

4. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described in paragraph 1 hereinabove, are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 on this 4th day of March, 2003.

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